

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

1.-25. (Canceled)

26. (Currently Amended ) A fuel injector for a fuel injection system of an internal combustion engine, in particular for direct injection of fuel into a combustion chamber of the engine, the fuel injector comprising:

an actuator;

a valve closing body to form a sealing seat with a valve seat face;

a valve needle mechanically linked to the actuator and to be acted upon by a restoring spring in a closing direction, to actuate the valve closing body;

a sleeve to pre-stress the restoring spring; and

an adjusting body [[mounted in]] placed in direct contact with the sleeve so as to be adjustable so that a fuel amount flowing per unit of time through the fuel injector depends on a position of the adjusting body in the sleeve.

27. (Previously Presented) The fuel injector of claim 26, wherein the sleeve is inserted into a central recess in the fuel injector.

28. (Previously Presented) The fuel injector of claim 26, wherein the restoring spring is supported on an injection end of the sleeve.

29. (Previously Presented) The fuel injector of claim 27, wherein the position of the adjusting body is variable in the sleeve via a first adjusting tool.

30.-31. (Canceled)

32. (Currently Amended) [[The fuel injector of claim 31,]] A fuel injector for a fuel injection system of an internal combustion engine, in particular for direct injection of fuel into a combustion chamber of the engine, the fuel injector comprising:

an actuator;

a valve closing body to form a sealing seat with a valve seat face;

a valve needle mechanically linked to the actuator and to be acted upon by a restoring spring in a closing direction, to actuate the valve closing body;

a sleeve to pre-stress the restoring spring; and

an adjusting body mounted in direct contact with the sleeve so as to be adjustable so that a fuel amount flowing per unit of time through the fuel injector depends on a position of the adjusting body in the sleeve wherein:

an injection end of the adjusting body is designed with a conical shape;  
the sleeve includes an aperture plate arranged on the injection end; and  
[[wherein]] the conical shape of the injection end of the adjusting body  
projects into a borehole in the aperture plate.

33.-50. (Canceled)